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a second facility remote from the first facility, but in electronic communication therewith, for providing a diagnostic service provider [with] having access to the electronic digital medical image database with a listing of the stored digital medical images negotiated by all of the N patients[; and],

*means function  
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wherein the system is configured in such a manner as to enable the diagnostic service provider to select one or more of the digital medical images from the database for reading, at the discretion of the diagnostic service provider.

35. (Amended) A remote access system for purchasing services, comprising:

a first facility for storing work order packages, each work order package generated by a respective originator and including a work order and an associated work order summary in a remotely accessible data storage device, to thereby provide a remotely accessible work order database comprised of the stored work order packages;

a plurality of second facilities remote from the first facility, but in electronic communication therewith, for providing a pool of participating service providers with access to the work order database; and

means for facilitating interactive bidding by the originators of the work order packages and service providers regarding [the] fees to be charged by the participating service providers for the services requested in the work order packages,

whereby the system functions as an open electronic marketplace for the distribution of services to the originators, and

wherein the system is configured in such a manner as to enable any one or more of the service providers to select and extract one or more of the work orders from the work order database in accordance with selection criteria established by the service providers and the work order package originators.

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39. (Amended) A graphic user interface (GUI) instantiated by computer software, the GUI representing a self-organizing marketplace for exchange of a selected type of one of goods and services, comprising digital information blocks generated by a plurality of respective users, wherein:

the digital information blocks are disposed in an order established by all of the users[:];

each of the digital information blocks is represented in the GUI by graphic indicators[, and];

each of the digital information blocks includes an indicia of priority that one of the users attaches to an associated one of the digital information blocks; and

all of the digital information blocks are freely selectable by at least one of the respective users.

48. (Amended) The GUI as recited in Claim 43, wherein user-specific statistical measures corresponding to the indicia of priority established by a respective one of the [uses] users is presented by the GUI for only that respective one of the users.

78. (Amended) The GUI as recited in Claim [75] 77, wherein a selected one of the arithmetic calculations is presented only to a corresponding one of the first and second users.

103. (Amended) A buffer memory operated by a first user for storing a plurality of links to respective digital information blocks generated by a plurality of respective second users in an order freely established by the second users, wherein:

each of said digital information blocks is receivable by at least one of a plurality of third users[:];

each of the links includes an indicia of the priority a respective one of the second